## **Procedures for Voting – Election of FRAC Field Representatives**

Following are excerpts from the "procedures for nominations and election of field representatives" approved by the FRAC Nominations and Election Committee in March 2004.

- All votes will be cast via electronic mail. All votes cast will be acknowledged by return email receipt.
- All field representatives will be elected by a majority vote. A majority will be determined by the number of votes cast, not the number of possible votes within a category. In the event there are more than two candidates for a position and no candidate receives a majority of votes, there will be a run-off election between the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes.
- The members of each respective group (to be represented on the FRAC) may cast their ballot only for the FRAC member for which they are eligible to vote. (Those eligible in multiple categories, may vote in each category for which they are eligible.)
- Ballots will be accepted for one week (7 calendar days).
- In addition to candidates appearing on the ballot, write-in votes will be allowed. Write-in votes will also be subject to the "majority vote" rule.

In addition to these procedures, please note the following:

- Candidates may also vote.
- Members of the Nominations and Election Committee may vote.
- Proxy votes are not allowed.
- To be counted, votes must be sent to the appropriate member of the Nominations and Election Committee or the FRAC Committee Manager.

## **Terms of Office of FRAC Field Representatives**

The initial terms of membership for the FRAC were set based on a random drawing. After the initial rotation of members, representatives will serve staggered 3-year terms. No FRAC member will be able to succeed him or herself. Initial terms are as follows:

**2006 rotation** – CSP Chairman Representative, Southern Region Representative, Northeastern Region Representative

**2007 rotation** -- HSR&D COE Director Representative, RR&D COE Director, Mid-Atlantic Region Representative

**2008 rotation** – Non-clinician PhD Representative, Western Region Representative, Midwestern Region Representative